

R. I. STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS
MINUTES OF MEETING
June 29, 2011

The Rhode Island State Board of Elections convened at 4:10 PM at the Rhode Island Board of Elections following a campaign finance workshop, a quorum included, Chairman John Daluz, Commissioners William West, Richard DuBois, Florence Gormley, Martin Joyce and Richard Pierce. Executive Director Robert Kando and Board legal counsel Raymond Marcaccio were also in attendance.

First order of business: Motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held on June 15, 2011 by Commissioner Gormley and seconded by Commissioner Pierce and passed unanimously.

Next order of business: After the Board heard comments from Patrick Smock II and Steven Gold (Pro Hac Vice) representing ActBlue, Commissioner Gormley moved to adopt the staff advisory prepared in response to a request by ActBlue, seconded by Commissioner Joyce and passed unanimously.

Next order of business: After Executive Director Robert Kando updated the Board on the ES & S contract; Commissioner Gormley moved to approve the four-year vendor contract with Elections Systems and Software (ES&S), seconded by Commissioner DuBois and passed unanimously.

Next order of business: Appeal by Kevin McKenna of campaign finance fines requested that his fines be made in form of a payment schedule of \$100 per month. Commissioner Gormley moved to allow Campaign Finance Director Richard Thornton to enter a payment schedule with Keven McKenna for campaign finance fines due to the Board on the condition that the payments and Mr. McKenna's campaign filings remain current if either should fall into arrears, the full amount becomes due, with a review in one year, seconded by Commissioner Joyce and voted unanimously.

Next order of business: Commissioner Gormley moved under R.I.G.L. 42-46-6(b) to add to the agenda procedures to be used in the upcoming Hopkinton, July 26, 2011, special election for council, if two election bills currently pending in the legislature are enacted into law, prior to the date of the election, seconded by Commissioner Pierce and voted unanimously.

Next order of business: Under R.I.G.L. 472-46-6(b) the Board may vote to address possible legislative enactments to current election laws and their application to the current council election posted in Hopkinton, for July 26, 2011. Commissioner Gormley moved that should the bill changing the closing time of polls were enacted, that the new closing time would be immediately adopted, and that if the mail ballot bill were enacted, that the current law would be followed since mail ballots had already been issued and that the rules should remain consistent through the election, seconded by Commissioner Joyce and passed unanimously.

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Next order of business: At 4:35 PM Commissioner Gormley moved to adjourn the meeting, the motion seconded by Commissioner DuBois and passed unanimously.

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